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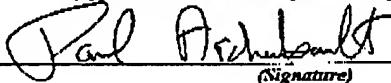
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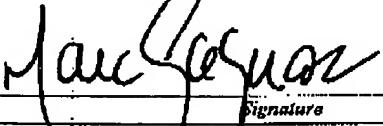
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**Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.**